

MINUTES OF THE  
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS  
STREET COMMITTEE

Tuesday, July 9, 2002  
MAG Offices, Saguaro Conference Room  
302 North First Avenue, Suite 200  
Phoenix, Arizona 85003

MEMBERS ATTENDING

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| Don Herp, Phoenix, Chairman              | Mitch Foy for Kevin Wallace, Mesa    |
| *Randy Allenstein for Andrew Smith, ADOT | Andrew Cooper, Paradise Valley       |
| David Vaca for David Cano, Avondale      | *Burton Charron, Peoria              |
| Dan Cook, Chandler                       | *Bob Ronzo, Salt River Pima-Maricopa |
| *Shane Dille, Gila Bend                  | Indian Community                     |
| Bruce Ward, Gilbert                      | Aaron Iverson, Scottsdale            |
| Alan Grover for Dan Sherwood, Glendale   | Brian Pirooz, Surprise               |
| Charles Hydeman, Goodyear                | Larry Shobe, Tempe                   |
| Jim Ricker, Guadalupe                    | *Ralph Velez, Tolleson               |
| *Doug Pike, Litchfield Park              | *Jesse Mendez, Youngtown             |
| Chris Plumb, Maricopa County             |                                      |

\* Members neither present nor represented by Proxy

OTHERS PRESENT

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| Stephen Tate, MAG | Qing Xia, MAG |
| Paul Ward, MAG    |               |

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Don Herp at 1:30 p.m.

2. Approval of the May 14, 2002 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Call to the Audience and Stakeholders

There were no members of the public present to address the Committee.

7.. Regional Traffic Studies

This item was heard early at the request of Ms. Qing Xia as she had a scheduling conflict.

Ms. Xia gave a brief presentation on planned and ongoing MAG traffic studies. She noted that MAG would be conducting studies that would include traffic count data from a number of cities. She noted that MAG would count data at 680 locations and these traffic counts would all be 24-hour, 15 minute interval, bidirectional, mid-block counts. She also noted that at 60 of these

locations, data on vehicle classification would be collected.

Mr. Christopher Plumb urged Ms. Xia to include the study vehicle classification counts on State Route 303L, State Route 101L, the Sun Valley Parkway and the Wickenburg Highway.

The Chairman suggested that members of the Committee be contacted for input concerning preferred vehicle classification count sites. Mr. Paul Ward indicated that he would send a memo requesting input from MAG member agencies on traffic count sites.

Mr. Charles Hydeman indicated that Goodyear had a number of automatic traffic collection sites and that he would be happy to provide that information to MAG. Ms. Xia indicated that she would discuss the data with him after the meeting.

The Chairman requested that the Committee be provided with an opportunity to review count data before it was distributed to the public. Ms. Xia indicated that the Committee would be provided with such an opportunity.

4. Transportation Programming Manager's Report

Mr. Ward briefed the Committee on recent events. He indicated that the TIP and Conformity Analysis was largely complete, and that he anticipated Regional Council adoption at their July meeting. He also that changes to the TIP not included in the draft document could be found at the MAG website.

Mr. Ward then distributed copies of the Executive Summary of the Transportation Guidance Report and noted that a full copy of the report was still not available, but that he would mail a copy of the report to members when it became available.

Mr. Ward then briefly discussed ongoing efforts to improve the programming process. He noted that MAG had formed a working group that Grant Anderson was the chairman and that the working group had two meetings and that these had focused on defining the working group's scope of work. He suggested that the Committee may want to make recommendations to the working group on the programming process.

Mr. Ward went on to note that MAG had added a new policy committee – the Transportation Policy Committee – to be made up of members of the Regional Council and private sector representatives. He indicated that a retreat of this Committee was scheduled for late September to discuss the need for transportation funding.

5. Report on the Status of Federally-funded Projects Programmed for Fiscal Years 2002 through 2004

Mr. Ward gave a brief report on the closeout process. He indicates that the closeout process was largely completed. Mr. Stephen Tate passed out a status report on federally funded projects and asked members to provide input as appropriate.

6. Advance Construction Policies

Mr. Tate gave a brief report on draft advance construction policies. He noted that “Advance Construction” was a way for MAG member agencies to advance federally funded projects by using their own funds and that to use the process the member agency must receive formal approval from the federal authorities prior to the beginning of work. He added that agencies wishing to use advance construction identify, in the TIP, both the locally funded and the federal phases of the project that are to be used in the “Advance Construction” process.

The Committee did not take action on this request at this time.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30.